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Message from the Department Chair

Welcome to Medaille College and the Department of Education. We have both undergraduate and graduate degree programs which lead to eligibility for your initial certification in teaching. We also have graduate and post-graduate programs leading to advanced certifications. These academic programs, which are offered in a variety of formats, are rigorous and hold teacher candidates to high expectations.

Our faculty and staff are committed to preparing our students to be successful in the field of education and work diligently to be accessible and available. We feel that developing positive relationships with our students is a foundation for teaching and learning.

We are excited to have you join us and wish you success in your academic endeavors.

Claudia T. Conway, M.Ed. Chair, Department of Education

Medaille College

Medaille College traces its roots to 1875 when it was founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph as an Institute to prepare teachers among the religious community for Catholic schools. The tradition of providing an emphasis on training teachers has been with us since the beginning. In 1937, the Institute received an absolute charter from New York State and was named Mount St. Joseph Teachers College and was chartered to grant baccalaureate degrees in Education. In 1968, the Sisters of St. Joseph, led by Alice Huber, SSJ, Ph.D., initiated a change in the charter, which would create a new college, accessible to all men and women. New York State granted this charter and Medaille College was born.

Mission Statement of Medaille College

The mission of Medaille College is to educate and develop empowered individuals for academic achievement, career success and civic engagement, thereby contributing to a healthy, diverse democracy.

Mission of the Department of Education at Medaille College

The Department of Education focuses on excellence in teaching with an emphasis on personal attention to our diverse learners. Our career-oriented curriculum builds upon a liberal arts and sciences foundation as we guide students toward initial and professional certification. This program is flexible because of the multiple delivery systems available to traditional students and practicing professionals. The staff and faculty are dedicated and committed to graduating students who are effective teachers. As reflective practitioners and scholars guided by constructivist approaches (Vygotsky, 1978) to learning and teaching, we challenge our students and ourselves to reach high standards of achievement through the relentless pursuit of best teaching practices.

Learning occurs in our classrooms within a caring environment, with dedicated faculty who advise, mentor, and guide students from their admission to the program through to the completion of their capstone courses. Ultimately, we are invested in learning, teaching, and the continued success of our students.

Philosophy of the Department of Education at Medaille College

Medaille College's Department of Education focuses on excellence in teaching with an emphasis on personal attention to our diverse student body. The faculty consists of scholar practitioners focused on research-based best practice and dedicated to graduating men and women who will positively impact P-12 students. Our education programs provide a solid foundation in the study, design, and implementation of planning, instructing and assessing in the classrooms of the twenty-first century.

The Department of Education subscribes to the overarching philosophy of constructivism (Vygotsky, 1978), a unifying thread that is evident in all of our education programs. At the root of constructivism is the belief that knowledge does not exist independent of the learner. Instead, constructivism presents a student-centered model in which students make meaning for themselves by building on prior knowledge. The teacher contributes more as a facilitator, designing culturally relevant instruction for students in order for them to develop further mental paradigms.

Bridging theory and practice, our teacher candidates experience learning in the classroom and through field experiences. A background in issues of educational philosophy and history, an examination of contemporary topics affecting curriculum and instruction within schools, and the exploration of diversity considerations in our culture and society provide a solid foundation from which students can analyze their experiences in real-world classrooms. Additionally, courses focusing on pedagogy and the planning, instructing, and assessing cycle of learning allow teacher candidates to hone the skills they will use from their first day as a teacher. Concurrent to this coursework, faculty and staff coach teacher candidates in developing the metacognitive strategies and reflective skills necessary to monitor and direct their own performance, learning, and future teaching.

Department of Education Claims

A process was established to systematically collect data that addresses the DOE's three primary claims to the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC). Medaille College graduates are qualified and competent as demonstrated by the following claims.

- Claim 1: Medaille College graduates know the **subject matter** in their certification area(s).
- Claim 2: Medaille College graduates meet the needs of diverse learners through effective **pedagogy** and **best teaching practices.**
- Claim 3: Medaille College graduates are **caring** educators.

Medaille Teacher Education Programs have TEAC Accreditation effective until April 29, 2022.

Council for Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP)

A process has been established to systematically collect data that address CAEP standards, which serve as the basis for accreditor's review.

Standard 1: Content and Pedagogical Knowledge

The provider ensures that candidates develop a deep understanding of the critical concepts and principles of their disciplines and, by completion, are able to use discipline-specific practices flexibly to advance the learning of all students toward attainment of college- and career-readiness standards.

Standard 2: Clinical Partnerships and Practice

The provider ensures that effective partnerships and high-quality clinical practice are central to preparation so that candidates develop the knowledge, skills, and professional dispositions necessary to demonstrate positive impact on all P-12 Students' learning and development.

Standard 3: Candidate Quality, Recruitment, and Selectivity

The provider demonstrates that the quality of candidates is a continuing and purposeful part of its responsibility from recruitment, at admission, through the progression of courses and clinical experiences, and to decisions that completers are prepared to teach effectively and are recommended for certification. The provider demonstrates that development of candidate quality is the goal of educator preparation in all phases of the program. This process is ultimately determined by a program's meeting of Standard 4.

Standard 4: Program Impact

The provider demonstrates the impact of its completers on P-12 student learning and development, classroom instruction, and schools, and the satisfaction of tis completers with the relevance and effectiveness of their preparation.

Standard 5: Provider Quality, Continuous Improvement, and Capacity

The provider maintains a quality assurance system comprised of valid data from multiple measures, including evidence of candidates' and completers' positive impact on P-12 student learning and development. The provider supports continuous improvement that is sustained and evidence-based, and that evaluates the effectiveness of its completers. The provider uses the results of inquiry and data collection to establish priorities, enhance program elements and capacity, and test innovations to improve completers' impact on P-12 student learning and development.

InTASC Principles

Standard #1: Learner Development

The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually iwthin and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences

The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments

The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge

The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard #5: Application of Content

The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment

The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction

The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies

The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice

The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration

The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, and other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Important Education Links

NYS Education Department (NYSED)

http://www.nysed.gov

Engage NY

https://www.engageny.org/

NYS Learning Standards

http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/standards.html

NYS Teaching Standards

www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/pdf/teachingstandards9122011.pdf

INTASC Standards

http://education.csm.edu/intasc.htm

Council for Exceptional Children

http://www.cec.sped.org/

International Literacy Association

 $\underline{\text{http://literacyworldwide.org/docs/default-source/resource-documents/draft-ila-standards-}\underline{2017.pdf}$

International Society for Technology in Education

http://www.iste.org/

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Program Information

New York State Education Department (NYSED) Approved Department of Education (DOE) Degrees Table 1 lists the NYS approved teacher education degrees at Medaille College. The BSED degrees include: Early Childhood/Childhood (B-2, 1-6) and Adolescent Education and Students with Disabilities (7-12). The MSED degrees include: Elementary Education Childhood (1-6); Literacy (Birth-6, and or 5-12); Students with Disabilities: Childhood (1-6) & Generalist (7-12) & EXT 7-12; and Adolescent Education (7-12).

Table 1: (NYSED) Approved DOE Degrees and Advanced Certifications

Title NYSED Approved SOE Degree Program	Degree Awarded	First Registered/ Last Registered	Certificate	Certificate Type
Elementary Education Childhood (1-6)	MSED	9/2001 12/2013	Childhood 1-6	Initial / Professional
Literacy (B-6)	MSED	9/2001 12/2013	Literacy, Birth – Grade 6	Initial / Professional
Literacy Advanced Certification (B-6 and/or 5-12)	ADV CRT	6/2009 12/2013	Literacy Birth-6 Literacy 5-12	Initial/ Professional
Literacy (5-12)	MSED	5/2009 12/2013	Literacy 5-12	Initial/ Professional
Pre-K-Elementary Education Early Childhood/Childhood (B-2; 1-6)	BSED	6/2009 6/2014	Early Childhood, Birth-2 Childhood, 1-6	Initial
Students with Disabilities: Childhood (1-6) 7-12 EXT Generalist 7-12	MSED	8/2011 9/2015	Teaching students with disabilities: Childhood 1-6, Middle Childhood 5-9, 7-12 EXT Generalist 7-12	Initial/ Professional
Students with Disabilities: Advanced Certification Childhood 1-6 7-12 EXT Generalist 7-12	ADV CRT	8/2011 9/2015	Childhood 1-6 Generalist 7-12	Initial/ Professional
Adolescent Education and Students with Disabilities (7-12) EXT 7-12	BSED	8/2011 9/2015	Adolescent Education Biology, English, Mathematics & Social Studies (7-12)	Initial
Adolescent Education (7-12)	MSED	6/2008 12/2013	Adolescent (7-12) in English, French, Biology, Chemistry, & Mathematics	Initial/ Professional
Adolescent Education (7-12)	MSED	1/2010 12/2013	Adolescent (7-12) Social Studies	Initial/ Professional

Course Requirements for Students with Disabilities Programs

Master of Science in Education: Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 (no initial certification)

(3 credits)

ECI 510 Research in Education (3 credits)

EDL 580 Methodology in the Reading Processes (3 credits)

EDL 581 Early Literacy Development and Literacy (3 credits)

ESP 600 Foundations in Special Education (3 credits)

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 607 Professional, Family & Community Collaboration in Schools and Schooling (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 618 Assessing Children with Exceptionalities (Grades 1-6) (3 credits)

ESP 621 Methods for Content Area Instruction – Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 (3 credits)

ESP 630 Fieldwork I: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 631 Fieldwork II: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 688P Integrative Practicum Grades 1-3 OR ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Grades 4-6 (3 credits)

ESP 691 Portfolio for Students with Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 695 Students with Disabilities – Student Teaching Grades 1-6 (3 credits)

Master of Science in Education: Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 (with initial certification)

ECI 510 Research in Education (3 credits)

EDL 580 Methodology in the Reading Processes (3 credits)

EDL 581 Early Literacy Development and Literacy (3 credits)

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 607 Professional, Family & Community Collaboration in Schools and Schooling (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 618 Assessing Children with Exceptionalities (Grades 1-6) (3 credits)

ESP 621 Methods for Content Area Instruction – Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 (3 credits)

ESP 630 Fieldwork I: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 631 Fieldwork II: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 688P Integrative Practicum Grades 1-3 (3 credits)

ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Grades 4-6 (3 credits)

ESP 691 Portfolio for Students with Disabilities (3 credits)

Master of Science in Education: Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 Generalist (no initial certification)

ECI 510 Research in Education (3 credits)

EDL 580 Methodology in the Reading Processes (3 credits)

EDL 585 Adolescent Literacy Transacting with Literature (3 credits)

ESP 600 Foundations in Special Education (3 credits)

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 607 Professional, Family & Community Collaboration in Schools and Schooling (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 619 Assessing Adolescents with Exceptionalities (Grades 7-12) (3 credits)

ESP 633 Fieldwork I: Grades 7-12 (0 credit)

ESP 634 Fieldwork II: Grades 7-12 (0 credit)

ESP 622 Methods for Content Area Instruction – Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 (3 credits)

ESP 689A Integrative Practicum Grades 7-9 OR ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Grades 10-12 (3 credits)

ESP 691 Portfolio for Students with Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 696 Students with Disabilities – Student Teaching Grades 7-12 (3 credits)

Master of Science in Education: Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 Generalist (with initial certification)

ECI 510 Research in Education (3 credits)

EDL 580 Methodology in the Reading Processes (3 credits)

EDL 585 Adolescent Literacy Transacting with Literature (3 credits)

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 607 Professional, Family & Community Collaboration in Schools and Schooling (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 619 Assessing Adolescents with Exceptionalities (Grades 7-12) (3 credits)

ESP 622 Methods for Content Area Instruction – Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 (3 credits)

ESP 633 Fieldwork I: Grades 7-12 (0 credit)

ESP 634 Fieldwork II: Grades 7-12 0 credit)

ESP 689A Integrative Practicum Grades 7-9 (3 credits)

ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Grades 10-12 (3 credits)

ESP 691 Portfolio for Students with Disabilities (3 credits)

Advanced Certificate: Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 618 Assessing Children with Exceptionalities (Grades 1-6) (3 credits)

ESP 635 Fieldwork I: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 636 Fieldwork II: Grades 1-6 (0 credit)

ESP 688P Integrative Practicum Grades 1-3 (3 credits)

ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Grades 4-6 (3 credits)

Advanced Certificate: Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12

ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies for Working with Children with Exceptionalities: Managing the Learning Environment (3 credits)

ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities (3 credits)

ESP 619 Assessing Adolescents with Exceptionalities (Grades 7-12) (3 credits)

ESP 637 Fieldwork I: Grades 7-12 (0 credit)

ESP 638 Fieldwork II: Grades 7-12 (0 credit)

ESP 689A Integrative Practicum Grades 7-9 (3 credits)

ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Grades 10-12 (3 credits)

General Information

Catalogs

For information on program requirements, please see the graduate catalog. It is important for students to read the graduate catalog for academic policies and procedures. Pay attention for deadlines (registration, drop/add, withdrawal, tuition. For additional information visit http://www.medaille.edu/academics/catalogs/)

E-MAIL

Students must use their Medaille e-mail account. You will receive your student teaching information, class cancellation, and important Department of Education information through your Medaille e-mail. It is the student's responsibility to access Medaille e-mail. Students can forward information from another e-mail account to their Medaille e-mail or forward their Medaille e-mail to another account.

Attendance

Regular attendance is expected **at all classes** and academic activities related to a course (for example, field work) unless otherwise specified. Medaille College subscribes to the "Guidelines on Students and Religious Observance" adopted by the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities. Absence does not excuse a student from course work and responsibility. Excessive absence is detrimental and it will affect a student's grade. Discontinuance of attendance does not constitute an official withdrawal.

Statement on Disabilities

Any student with a disability who believes he/she needs accommodation(s) in order to complete this course should contact the Coordinator of Accessibility Services at 716-566-3088 for confidential assistance and a determination of what accommodations are appropriate and reasonable under the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Office is located in Huber Hall, Room 101.

Title IX

Medaille College is committed to fostering a safe and productive learning environment. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 protects people from sex discrimination and harassment in educational programs and activities at institutions that receive federal financial assistance. Medaille College provides many resources to students, faculty and staff to address concerns relating to discrimination on the basis of sex, which includes sexual misconduct. For more information and contact information for our Title IX Coordinator, see: http://www.medaille.edu/offices/human-resources/title-ix.

Academic Integrity

Medaille College expects students to fulfill academic assignments independently and honestly. Any cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty at Medaille College will be penalized, with sanctions ranging from an "F" on a specific assignment to expulsion from the College. A variety of means may be employed to check against student plagiarism, including the use of proprietary databases such as Turnitin.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)

Annually, Medaille College informs students of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This Act, with which the institution intends to comply fully, was designated to protect the privacy of educational records, to establish the rights of students to inspect and review the educational records, and to provide guidelines for the correction of inaccurate or misleading data through informal and formal hearings. Students also have the right to file complaints with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Office (FERPA) concerning alleged failures by the institution to comply with the Act. The full FERPA policy can be found on the Medaille College Registrar's web page at: www.medaille.edu/registrar under FERPA for Students or at http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/students.html . In addition, it is printed in the Student Handbook. Questions concerning the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act may be directed to the Medaille College Registrar's Office at (716) 880-2366.

Drop/Add/Withdrawal

If a student needs to drop or add a course, or withdraw from the program, the process must occur on the first day of classes to avoid financial penalty. To withdraw from the College, fill out the withdrawal form at

https://www.medaille.edu/sites/default/files/files/offices/registrar/withdrawal_form_rev050818.pdf.

Break in Enrollment

If a student does not want to enroll for the next semester but intends to return to the college, s/he must contact the program director and complete a Break of Enrollment Form at https://www.medaille.edu/sites/default/files/files/offices/registrar/break of enrollment form rev_09062017.pdf.

Students are responsible for any changes in coursework or certification requirements that may occur at the state level during a break of enrollment. Additionally, if a student is absent from the program longer than three consecutive semesters (one year), s/he will need to reapply to the program and may need to repeat coursework.

Campus Emergency Information and Sign up for Immediate Alert

To sign up for instant emergency alerts via e-mail, text, and phone please visit http://www.medaille.edu/alert. Please visit http://www.medaille.edu/alert/plan to view the plan. It is important that each student is aware that in the event of an emergency the Colelge will operate under a different set of policies and procedures than it does during normal business operations. In the event that campus is closed due to an emergency, please log on to your Blackboard course link at https://medaille.dcollege.net/

Academic and Professional Standards

Graduate Grading

Graduate programs require that students maintain at least a B (3.0) average for all courses taken in fulfillment of degree requirements at Medaille. The following system of grading has been adopted by the College:

	Grades	s Points	Percent
High distinction, an exceptionally high achievement	A	4.0	95-100%
	A-	3.7	90-94%
High Achievement	B+	3.3	87-89%
Average, average achievement	В	3.0	84-86%
Pass, below average achievement	B-	2.7	80-83%
	C+	2.3	77-79%
	C	2.0	74-76%
Failure, unsatisfactory	F	0.0	below 74%
Official withdrawal	W		
Incomplete	I		
Audit	AU		
Credit Pending	CP		
Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory	S/U		

Credit Pending (CP)

Students, who complete a student teaching placement but have not submitted all the required documentation / paperwork, will receive a grade of Credit Pending (CP). Credit Pending is only given when a student demonstrates that all paperwork will be completed in a maximum of 30 days. Students who have a grade of CP but do not submit paperwork within the 30 day period will earn an unsatisfactory grade (U) for student teaching.

Students expecting to graduate at the end of student teaching must submit all paperwork prior to the end of that term (May/December). Paperwork submitted late may result in graduation and certification being delayed.

Incomplete (I)

An incomplete is given only for a compellingly sufficient reason as determined by the instructor. It is completed in a manner determined by mutual agreement between the student and instructor as indicated on the Incomplete Form. This form must be signed by both student and instructor.

Incomplete Grade Forms may be obtained from the instructor or in the Office of the Registrar. It is the responsibility of the student to complete the requirements of the Incomplete by the date stated on the form. Course completion is not to exceed the termination of the semester immediately following the initiation of the Incomplete. The student assumes the risk of not being able to complete the study if a faculty member is no longer at the College. All information must be complete when the form is submitted to the Office of the Registrar. If any part of the Incomplete Form is left unanswered, the form will be sent back to the instructor and no grade will be issued until the form is correctly filed.

An Incomplete must be removed from the student's record by the end of the semester following the semester in which the Incomplete was received. Exceptions will be made to this rule only prior to the stated deadline and under compelling circumstances with the approval of the Vice President for Academic Affairs or appropriate College Head.

Methods Courses

Graduate students must receive a **grade of a B- or above. This includes the practicum courses.** Otherwise the course must be repeated.

All education teacher candidates must be able to, with or without accommodation, complete all New York State mandated course, field experience, and practicum requirements.

Academic Progress Reports

Academic Progress Report will be given to any student who is not making satisfactory progress in a course.

Academic Probation/Standards

Graduate students who earn a GPA lower than 3.0 or who fail a course will be placed on academic probation. If the terms of probation are not met, the student will be dismissed from the program.

If a student fails the same course three times, they will be dismissed from the program for a period of one year and must reapply for admission.

Grade Appeal Process

Education students wishing to appeal a final grade in a course should refer to the graduate catalog at https://www.medaille.edu/academics/academic-catalogs.

Statement on Teacher Candidate Professional Dispositions

The Department of Education at Medaille College prepares students to enter the world of teaching birth through grade twelve. We believe that a major component of professional teacher education (both in Medaille College classrooms and in P-12 schools) includes preparing students to fulfill professional habits of conduct. As part of the learning and preparation processes, students must understand and engage in professional behaviors that adhere to both policy and guiding principles required in private and public schools and community agencies. The development of values such as commitment, responsible behavior, professional communication/collaboration, confidentiality, and integrity/honesty are essential for sustained employment within the professional workforce. Prospective educators are expected to view and assume these professional dispositions as a crucial component of their academic training.

These Professional Dispositions of Medaille College Department of Education provide a framework for these professional behaviors. Instructors and staff will demonstrate and work with our students to assure that they understand and are able to demonstrate the dispositions in every class and learning experience. When interacting with administrators, professors, teachers, peers and students (while on all Medaille campuses and during field experiences), teacher candidates must exhibit their professional commitment to becoming an excellent teacher through engagement, words and actions.

The following charts detail expected behaviors of our teacher candidates both in the college classroom as well as in the P-12 classrooms of schools. DOE students will sign acknowledgement of these expected behaviors at new student orientation.

Should the teacher candidate have difficulty meeting these expectations, the Department of Education is committed to assisting the teacher candidate as he/she works to get back on track. The following process for expressing concerns and then assisting teacher candidate with these concerns is as follows:

- 1. Instructor, supervisor and/or advisor expresses concerns, completes Teacher Candidate Professional Dispositions Request for Support Form, and submits it to the Education Chair.
- 2. Education Chair reviews concerns and determines the appropriate level of support needed Level I: Moderate Concern or Level II: High Concern.
- 3. Teacher Candidate meets with either the Education Chair (Moderate Concern) or Support Committee (High Concern) to determine next steps.

See Appendix A for details.

Expected Professional Disposition Behaviors in Medaille College Classroom

Commitment

- Exhibits dedication to children and adolescents, developmentally-appropriate teaching, evidence-based instructional methods, social equity, and challenging curriculum
- Displays enthusiasm for learning and teaching
- Demonstrates ongoing commitment to working with students from diverse backgrounds, ethnicities, and cultures

Responsible Behavior

- Attends classes regularly
- Arrives on time for classes
- Completes assignments on time/meets all deadlines
- Uses technology during class for topic-related purposes only
- Employs appropriate language (not profanity or inappropriate gestures)
- Identifies and initiates efforts to facilitate learning
- Responds to novel problems and situations in creative and responsible ways
- Maintains appropriate dress consistent with a professional educational environment

Professional Communication/Collaboration

- Cooperates with peers
- Receives feedback openly with the goal or personal and professional growth
- Articulates perspectives clearly
- Differentiates between factual information and personal opinion
- Seeks input from peers and instructors
- Listens to the perspectives of others
- Responds to others (including those with differing perspectives) in a manner that is nonthreatening and promotes dialogue
- Communicates in a positive manner that promotes collaboration with peers as well as instructor (verbal and non-verbal)
- Uses Standard English in all professional communication (oral or written)
- Writes legibly, spells correctly, and uses standard grammar and punctuation

Confidentiality

- Maintains discretion in sharing personal information with or about students, parents, and colleagues
- Adheres to professional standards and legal statutes pertaining to confidentiality

Integrity/Honesty

- Engages in behaviors and actions that reflect positively on the teaching profession
- Seeks constructive resolutions to problems
- Completes his or her own work (does not cheat, plagiarize, lie, etc.)
- Shows respect for self and others

Expected Professional Disposition Behaviors in the PreK – 12 Classroom

Commitment

- Exhibits dedication to children and adolescents, developmentally-appropriate teaching, evidence-based instructional methods, social equity, and challenging curriculum
- Displays enthusiasm for learning and teaching
- Demonstrates ongoing commitment to working with students from diverse backgrounds, ethnicities, and cultures

Responsible Behavior

- Attends school and class regularly
- Arrives on time for work in schools and for classes
- Completes assignments and lesson preparation on time/meets all deadlines
- Integrates technology appropriate to student learning
- Employs appropriate language (not profanity or inappropriate gestures)
- Identifies and initiates efforts to facilitate student learning
- Responds to novel problems and situations in creative and responsible ways
- Maintains appropriate dress consistent with a professional educational environment

Professional Communication/Collaboration

- Cooperates with peers and school colleagues
- Receives feedback openly with the goal or personal and professional growth
- Articulates perspectives clearly
- Differentiates between factual information and personal opinion
- Seeks constructive input from peers and instructors
- Listens to the perspectives of others, including their students
- Responds to others (including those with differing perspectives) in a manner that is nonthreatening and promotes dialogue
- Communicates verbally and non-verbally in a positive manner that promotes collaboration with other educators, students, parents, and peers
- Uses Standard English in all professional communication (oral or written)
- Writes legibly, spells correctly, and uses standard grammar and punctuation

Confidentiality

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- Adheres to professional standards and legal statutes pertaining to confidentiality

Integrity/Honesty

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Student Teaching and Certification Requirements

Child Abuse and SAVE Legislation Requirements for Initial Certification

Child Abuse and SAVE are mandated regulations from New York State.

MSED Students with Disabilities students fulfill these workshop requirements in ESP 600 co-registered with EDU 506. (See Appendix B for details).

Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)

In accordance with New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (DASA), teacher candidates are required to foster safe and supportive classroom environments free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying. Anyone applying for certification on or after December 31, 2013 is required to have completed the Coursework or Training in Harassment, Bullying and Discrimination Prevention and Intervention required under the Dignity for all Students Act. Students fulfill this requirement in EDU 508.

Fingerprinting

New York State mandates that all students applying for initial certification must be fingerprinted. New York State utilizes a Statewide Vendor Managed System for capturing fingerprints. Students will need to contact the state vendor, MorphoTrust by going to their website at www.identogo.com and selecting the nearest MorphoTrust location. When scheduling your appointment with MorphoTrust, they will ask you to provide an ORI number. Your ORI number is TEACH. The current total fingerprinting fee is \$102.00. Students wishing to pay by credit card must pay the fee online when booking the appointment. Only cash and bank checks will be accepted at the time of appointment. For additional information contact the Office of Student Teaching & Certification.

Field Experience Requirement for MSED students

Students enrolled in the MSED Students with Disabilities program are required to complete a minimum of 100 field experience hours prior to student teaching. These field experience hours are embedded over two semesters (ESP 630 & ESP 631 for Grades 1-6 OR ESP 632 & ESP 633 for Grades 7-12). Each course will require a combination of Medaille-provided field experiences as well as individual field experiences in schools.

<u>Pre-Student Teaching Fieldwork Hours Requirements for students enrolled in MSED Grades 1-6 programs:</u>

- Approximately 50 hours must be in primary grades 1-3
- Approximately 50 hours must be in intermediate/junior grades 4-6
- At least 80 hours must be completed in a classroom setting
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with English Language Learners (English as a New Language)

Course	Field Experience Hours
ESP 630: Fieldwork I: Grades 1-6	50 hours
ESP 631: Fieldwork II: Grades 1-6	50 hours

<u>Pre-Student Teaching Fieldwork Hours Requirements for students enrolled in MSED (non-certified)</u> Grades 7-12 Generalist programs:

- Approximately 50 hours must be in grades 7-9
- Approximately 50 hours must be in grades 10-12
- At least 80 hours must be completed in a classroom setting
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with English Language Learners (English as a New Language)

Course	Field Experience Hours
ESP 632: Fieldwork I: Grades 7-12	50 hours
ESP 633: Fieldwork II: Grades 7-12	50 hours

Field Experience Requirement for Advanced Certificate

Students who have completed an education program and are already eligible for certification are required to complete a minimum of **50 field experience hours** working with Students with Disabilities (Special Education, mild to severe) and should be completed in a variety of diverse educational settings.

<u>Pre-Student Teaching Fieldwork Hours Requirements for students enrolled in MSED (certified) and Advanced Certification Grades 1-6 programs:</u>

- Approximately 25 hours must be in primary grades 1-3
- Approximately 25 hours must be in intermediate/junior grades 4-6
- At least 40 hours must be completed in a classroom setting
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with English Language Learners (English as a New Language)

Course	Field Experience Hours
ESP 635: Fieldwork I: Grades 1-6	50 hours
ESP 636: Fieldwork II: Grades 1-6	50 hours

<u>Pre-Student Teaching Fieldwork Hours Requirements for students enrolled in MSED (certified)</u> and Advanced Certification Grades 7-12 Generalist programs:

- Approximately 25 hours must be in grades 7-9
- Approximately 25 hours must be in grades 10-12
- At least 40 hours must be completed in a classroom setting
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with English Language Learners (English as a New Language)

Course	Field Experience Hours
ESP 637: Fieldwork I: Grades 7-12	50 hours
ESP 638: Fieldwork II: Grades 7-12	50 hours

Students with Disabilities Practicum Courses and Student Teaching

Graduate students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA to participate in the practicum and student teaching placements, and satisfactory completion of all pre-requisites.

All students in MSED 1-6 with initial certification are required to complete two practica: ESP 688P Integrative Practicum and ESP 688J Integrative Practicum for a total of six credit hours of practica.

All students in MSED 1-6 without initial certification are required to complete one practica: ESP 688P Integrative Practicum or ESP 688J Integrative Practicum and ESP 695 Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), which provides three credit hours of student teaching.

All students in Advanced Certification 1-6 are required to complete two practica: ESP 688P Integrative Practicum and ESP 688J Integrative Practicum.

All students in MSED 7-12 with initial certification are required to complete two practica: ESP 689A Integrative Practicum and ESP 689S Integrative Practicum for a total of six credit hours of practica.

All students in MSED 7-12 without initial certification are required to complete one practica: ESP 689A Integrative Practicum or ESP 689S Integrative Practicum and ESP 696 Students with Disabilities (Grades 7-12), which provides three credit hours of student teaching.

All students in Advanced Certification 7-12 Generalist are required to complete two practica: ESP 689A Integrative Practicum and ESP 688S Integrative Practicum.

Students who receive a grade of C+ or below for one practicum must repeat the practicum and earn a grade of B- or better. Students who receive a second C+ or below in a subsequent practicum are automatically dismissed from the MSED or Advanced Certification program without the possibility of readmittance.

Graduate students enrolled in the SWD practica (ESP 688 and 689) are permitted only one excused absence per practicum. Excused absences include illness or work-related obligations and must be approved by the instructor. Tutoring hours will be rescheduled through the course instructor. If you are unable to complete this obligation, students are required to schedule for another semester.

Students who receive an unsatisfactory grade (U) for one student teaching placement must enroll and satisfactorily complete the one-credit course **EDU 582: Refocus for Success** and repeat the student teaching experience. Students who receive a second unsatisfactory grade (U) in student teaching are automatically dismissed from the MSED program without the possibility of readmittance.

Student Teacher Placement Cancellation

Confirming student teaching placements requires collaboration between the Office of Student Teaching & Certification and school boards/districts that result in time and labor costs for both entities. Student teachers may request that their student teaching placements be cancelled and/or delayed only one time. Requests to cancel and/or delay student teaching placements beyond that will result in a cancellation fee of \$120 to be paid before another student teaching application can be considered. **For additional procedures and policies refer to the student teaching handbook.

NYS Certification for Students with Disabilities

During the final semester of the program, MSED and Advanced Certification students must apply to the Office of Student Teaching/Certification to be recommended for certification. Once the student's degree or program completion is conferred, the Office of Student Teaching & Certification will recommend graduates for either initial and/or professional certification in students with disabilities. For further information, please contact Crystal Elias at the Office of Student Teacher at 716-932-2548 or crystal.a.elias@medaille.edu.

New York State Certification Exams

Early Childhood/Childhood (B-6) students must take the following NYS Certification Exams. More information can be found at the links provided here.

- 1. Educating All Student (EAS) (201)
- 2. Content Specialty Test Students with Disabilities (060)
- 3. Content Specialty Test
 - Multi-Subject Test: Teachers of Childhood (Grades 1 6) (221/222/245)

OR (depending on your grade level concentration)

- Multi-Subject: Secondary Teachers (Grades 7-12) (241/242/245)
- 4. edTPA [Education Teacher Performance Assessment], www.edtpa.com

Any exam can be retaken. For exam pricing and additional details visit www.nystce.nesinc.com.

For detailed student teaching information go to www.medaille.edu/studentteaching

Graduation

Students **must apply** for graduation. MSED students must have a minimum **3.0 GPA** to graduate with a Masters degree.

Students must complete the pre-grad review form at the beginning of the semester they plan to graduate. The application for graduation can be found on students' Medaille One account . There is a \$50 application fee. The application and fee must be submitted through Medaille One to the Registrar's Office.

Conferral Dates are: December 31; May 31; June 30; August 31

Program Completion for Advanced Certification in Students with Disabilities
Advanced Certification students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA to complete the program.

Students must apply for program completion by submitting the **Advanced Certification Application Form** through students' Medaille One account. There is a \$10 application fee. The application and fee must be submitted through Medaille One to the Registrar's Office.

Conferral Dates are: December 31; May 31; June 30; August 31

Appendix A
Teacher Candidate Professional Dispositions Support System Process



TEACHER CANDIDATE PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS SUPPORT SYSTEM PROCESS

Request for Support form is submitted to the Department of Education Chair. Level II: High Concern Level I: Moderate Concern Support Committee meets separately with person initiating the Request for Education Chair* will meet with the person making the referral and the Teacher Support, any other individuals who may have previously filed a Request for Candidate separately to discuss the Level I Moderate Concern Request for Support for the Candidate, and the Teacher Candidate to discuss the Level II High Support. Chair determines the next step(s). Concern Referral for Support, Committee determines next step(s). *Or designee from fagalty Committee meets with Teacher Candidate Teacher Candidate is Chair determines that Chair meets with Teacher Candidate to to create a Professional Dispositions Growth recommended for Change discussion with create a Professional Dispositions Growth Plan (PDGP) with goals and timelines. of/Dismissal from Program. Teacher Candidate Plan (PDGP) with goals and timelines. sufficiently addresses the need for support and documents Progress toward goals is carefully monitored Progress toward goals is carefully meeting in writing. No monitored by Chair on a regular basis as by Committee on a regular basis as further action needed. determined in the PDGP. determined in the PDGP. At the end of the timeline, Committee At the end of the timeline, Chair determines status of progress toward determines status of progress toward PDGP. PDGP. PDGP is successfully PDGP is not PDGP is successfully PDGP is not completed & no new successfully completed. Support successfully Committee will completed. Candidate completed and/or Requests for Support continue to monitor is recommended for are placed. Teacher additional Requests Teacher Candidate's Change of/Dismissal Candidate receives for Support are filed letter from Chair and Chair initiates a progress in the from Program. documenting Request for Support program. removal from Level II (High support status. Concern) to Support Committee.

Appendix B

Child Abuse and SAVE Legislation

To meet the requirements of EDU 506, students must complete:

Child Abuse Identification & Reporting

You must complete the two hour on-line course at

http://www.childabuseworkshop.com.

You will present the certificate of completion to your ESP 230 or ESP 600 instructor.

Save Legislation Certification Training Seminar

You must complete the two hour on-line course at http://www.violenceworkshop.com.

You will present the certificate of completion to their ESP 230 or ESP 600 instructor.

Workshops	Price	Discount	Net Price
Violence Workshop (SAVE)	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Child Abuse Workshop	\$39.95	\$19.95	\$20.00
Violence and Child Abuse Workshops	\$74.95	\$34.95	\$40.00

Follow the instructions on the website. If the 2 workshops are not completed you will not receive a grade for ESP 230 or ESP 600.

Here are step-by-step instructions on how to register and enter the group code before paying.

Go to www.violenceworkshop.com or www.childabuseworkshop.com.

Press the Register button. Enter your email, name, address, phone number, etc.

On the screen where you select your package, first enter your group code and press Apply. You will see the prices that apply to your group.

Select the package you wish and press Order.

If individual payment is required, you will see a payment screen. Choose your method of payment and pay.

After paying, if required, you can start taking the course. NOTE: The course can be taken over multiple sessions – you do not have to finish in a single session. To come back to the course later, press Login from the home page.

When the course is complete, you can print your own certificate.

NOTE: If you successfully registered in a previous session but have not yet paid, press the Login button to pay.

Student Screens

How students register and enter the group code

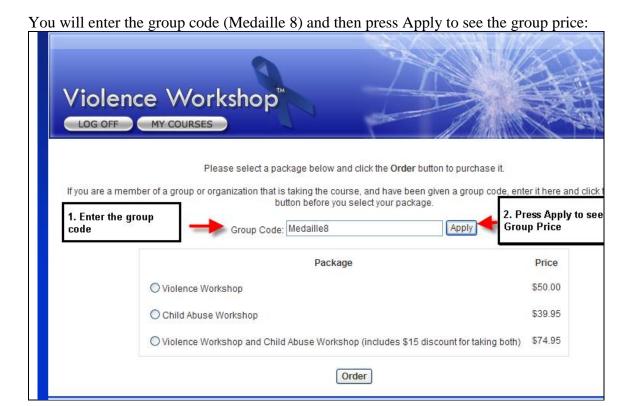
<u>Enter name and address.</u> Enter your name and address by pressing the Register button on the main page:

New Customer?

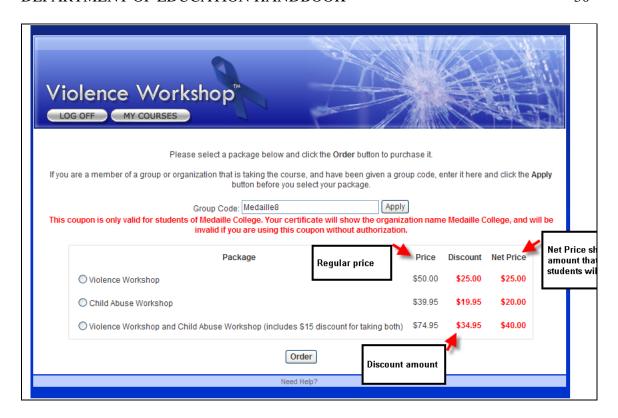
Simply click on the Registration button below to get started.

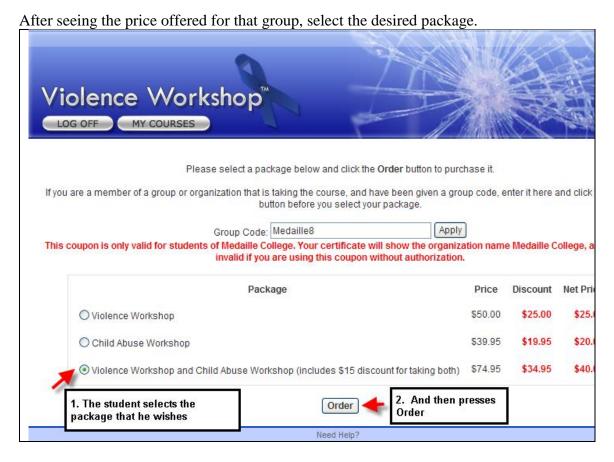
Click Here to Register Now

<u>Enter group code and choose course.</u> After entering your name and address, you will see the possible courses you can take. We offer 3 possible packages: Violence Workshop by itself, Child Abuse Workshop by itself or both courses together. Your group code may be used on any of these packages.



When you press Apply, you will see the discount and which package(s) it applies to.





3) Pay When you press Order you will see the Payment screen. Choose a method of payment.



<u>Take the course</u>. After paying, you can start taking the course immediately or choose to start the course at a later date.

<u>Print Certificate.</u> Upon completion, print your own certificate or request that one be mailed to you. The Course Coordinator can also print the student's certificate.

Appendix C SWD Program Sequence

MSED Students With Disabilities (Non-Certified Candidates) Grades 1-6 & 7-12								
Seme	ster 1	Semester 2		Seme	ester 3	Semester 4		
1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12	
Session I ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities		Session I ESP 618 Assessing Children 1-6 W/Exceptionalities Session I ESP 619 EDL 580 Methodologies in the Read Process WExceptionalitie		ESP 618 ESP 619 EDL 58 Assessing Children 1-6 Children 7-12 Process		n the Reading	Full Semester ESP 695/696 Student Teach	
Session II ESP 602 Behavioral Strategies		Session II ESP 613 Educating Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities EDU 508 Dignity for All Students		Session II EDL 581 Early Lang. Development & Literacy Session II EDL 585 Adolescent Literacy		Full Semester ESP 691 Portfolio		
Session II ESP 621 Methods for Instruction of the Content Areas – SWD Gr. 1-6	Session II ESP 622 Methods for Instruction of the Content Areas – SWD Gr. 7-12	Full Semester ESP 688P or ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 689A or ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Gr. 7-12	Session I ESP 607 Prof., Fam., & Comm., Collab. In School & Schooling				
Full Semester ESP 600 Online Foundations of Sp	pecial Education					Full Semester ECI 510 Onli Research in Ec	ne	
Full Semester ESP 630 Fieldwork I Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 632 Fieldwork II Gr. 7-12			Full Semester ESP 631 Fieldwork II Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 633 Fieldwork II Gr. 7-12			
	Total Credits: 39							

MSED Students With Disabilities (Certified Candidates) Grades 1-6 & 7-12							
Seme	Semester 1		ster 2	Seme	ster 3	Seme	ester 4
1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12
Session I ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities		Session I ESP 618 Assessing Children w/ Exceptionalities Gr. 1-6 Session I ESP 619 Assessing Children w/ Exceptionalities Gr. 7-12		Session I ESP 619 Assessing Children w/ Exceptionalities Session I EDL 580 Methodologies in the Reading Process		Full Semester ECI 510 Onlin Research in Edi	
Session II ESP 602 Behavioral Strate	egies	Session II ESP 613 Educating Students Multiple Disabilitie EDU 508 Dignity for All Stud	es	Session II EDL 581 Early Lang. Development & Literacy	Session II EDL 585 Adolescent Literacy	Full Semester ESP 688P or ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 689A or ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Gr. 7-12
Session II ESP 621 Methods for Instruction of the Content Areas – SWD Gr. 1-6	Session II ESP 622 Methods for Instruction of the Content Areas – SWD Gr. 7-12	Full Semester ESP 688P or ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 689A or ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Gr. 7-12	Session I ESP 607 Prof., Fam., & Comm., Collab. In School & Schooling		Full Semester ESP 691 Portfolio	
Full Sem. ESP 630 Fieldwork I Gr. 1-6	Full Sem. ESP 632 Fieldwork II Gr. 7-12			Full Semester ESP 631 Fieldwork II Gr. 1-6	Full Semester ESP 633 Fieldwork II Gr. 7-12		
			Total Cred	its: 36			

Advanced Certification Students With Disabilities Grades 1-6 & 7-12					
Seme	ester 1	Sen	nester 2		
1-6	7-12	1-6	7-12		
ESP 612 Educating Students with Mild to Moderate ESP 618 Assessing Children Assessing			Session I ESP 619 Assessing Children 7-12 w/Exceptionalities ere and Multiple Disabilities		
Full Semester ESP 688P or ESP 688J Integrative Practicum Gr. 1-6Full Semester ESP 689A or ESP 689S Integrative Practicum Gr. 7-12Full Semester 			Full Semester ESP 638 Fieldwork II		
Total Credits: 18					